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SUBJECT: DEATH OF LORD AVON

PLEASE PASS THE FOLLOWING MESSAGES RESPECTIVELY TO LADY
AVON AND HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN FROM PRESIDENT FORD:

1. DEAR LADY AVON: I WAS SADDENED TO LEARN OF THE PASSING
OF YOUR HUSBAND, LORD AVON. PLEASE ACCEPT THIS PERSONAL
EXPRESSION OF SYMPATHY. I AM SURE YOU ARE COMFORTED BY THE
KNOWLEDGE THAT BEGINNING WITH HIS GALLANT SERVICE IN THE
KING'S ROYAL RIFLE CORPS AND CONTINUING THROUGH HIS LONG
AND DISTINGUISHED CAREER IN GOVERNMENT, LORD AVON WILL BE
REMEMBERED AS A GREAT BRITISH PATRIOT. HIS PLACE IN HIS-
TORY IS ASSURED. HIS MANY FRIENDS AND ADMIRERS IN THE
U.S. WILL PRIZE THE MEMORY OF THEIR FRIENDSHIP WITH HIM.

2. YOUR MAJESTY: ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, I CON-
VEY TO YOU OUR SORROW OVER THE DEATH OF LORD AVON. A
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GENERATION OF AMERICANS RECOGNIZE HIM AS AN OUTSTANDING
BRITISH LEADER. HE LEAVES BEHIND A RECORD OF SERVICE
WHICH WILL ASSURE HIM AN IMPORTANT PLACE IN THE HISTORY OF
THIS CENTURY.

3. THE WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT PLAN TO RELEASE BUT HAS NO
OBJECTION SHOULD IT BE DESIRED BY LADY AVON OR THE

PALACE.

4. THE WHITE HOUSE PRESS OFFICE WILL ALSO RELEASE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT ON JANUARY 15 AT 10 A.M. WASHINGTON TIME.

PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT:

"THE PRESIDENT TODAY SENT MESSAGES TO HER MAJESTY, THE QUEEN OF ENGLAND, AND TO LADY AVON, EXPRESSING THE SYMPATHY AND SORROW OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE OVER THE DEATH OF LORD AVON. THE PRESIDENT ASSURED THEM THAT LORD AVON'S LONG AND DISTINGUISHED CAREER IN GOVERNMENT WOULD FORM AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE HISTORY OF THIS CENTURY."
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